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January 18, 1993

Richard Montalbano
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Montalbano,

I have received a copy of your correspondence of December 11, 1992, which was mailed to the treasurer of our Missouri Farm Bureau FARM-PAC, Northwest District. I am a staff member for the Missouri Farm Bureau and serve as an advisory to this PAC committee.

I have enclosed a copy of your correspondence on this matter including the information from the campaign report of Citizens for E. Thomas Coleman. In visiting with our treasurer of this PAC, I have discovered that our checks contain the incorrect title for our committee. Our by-laws and all our FEC filings correctly identify this committee as the Missouri Farm Bureau FARM-PAC, Northwest District. Our checks incorrectly identified the committee as the Farmers Action Statesmen PAC. Our treasurer has taken the necessary action to be sure that our checks contain the proper title for our committee. The Missouri Farm Bureau FARM-PAC, Northwest District is a qualified committee with the FEC.

We apologize for the confusion and inconvenience this mistake may have caused. Please notify us if there is any thing else we need to do to correct this matter.

Sincerely,

Bob Ritzhause

Bob Ritzhausen, Director
National Legislative Programs

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON D.C. 20517

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Treasurer:
Farmers Action Statesmen PAC
Route 2
Oregon, MO 64473

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's interest in assisting committees which may be subject to the registration and reporting requirements of the Federal Election Campaign Act ("the Act") but are not registered with the Commission.

The Act defines a "political committee" to include 1) any committee, club, association, or other group of persons which receives contributions aggregating in excess of \$1,000 during a calendar year or which makes expenditures aggregating in excess of \$1,000 during a calendar year (for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office) or 2) any separate segregated fund established by a corporation, labor organization, membership organization, cooperative, or corporation without capital stock which solicits contributions or makes expenditures for the purpose of influencing federal elections. 2 U.S.C. §5431(4) and 441b.

In addition, the Act precludes a political committee from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000 per election, until it becomes a multicandidate committee. The term "multicandidate committee" means a political committee which has been registered with the Commission, Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate for at least six months; has received contributions for federal elections from more than 50 persons; and (except for any State political party organization) has made contributions to five or more federal candidates. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a)(4) and 11 CFR §100.5(e)(3).

A review of the receipts reported by the Citizens for E. Thomas Coleman Committee indicates that your organization may have made an excessive contribution to a federal candidate for the 1992 General election. This activity may qualify your organization as a "political committee" subject to the registration, reporting and other requirements of the Act. A copy of the receipt schedule(s) which list your organization's contribution(s) is enclosed for your review.

In order to be in compliance with the Act, your organization must either:

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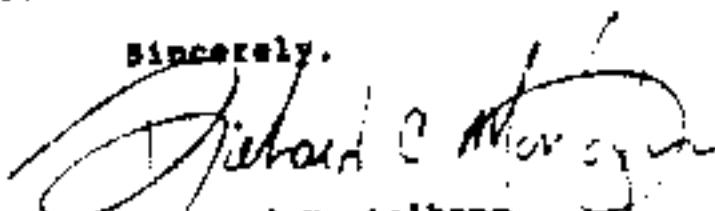
- 1) submit a Statement of Organization, file disclosure reports on FEC FORM 3X, and obtain a contribution refund of the amount in excess of the limitations (relevant informational materials and forms etc enclosed); or
- 2) receive a full contribution refund or direct the recipient committee(s) to transfer the funds to an account not used to influence federal elections.

The second alternative noted above should be followed if your organization does not wish to register and file disclosure reports or if the contributions or expenditures by your organization were from an account containing corporate or union funds.

If you believe that your organization is not a political committee, has not made excessive contributions to a federal candidate, or the Commission is otherwise in error, please submit documentation which will clarify this matter. Although the Commission may take further legal steps concerning this matter, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

Please notify the Commission within fifteen (15) days from the date of this letter of your decision on this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me on the agency's toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,



Richard Montalbano
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON D.C. 20517

January 7, 1993

Treasurer
Farmers Action Statesmen PAC
Route 2
Oregon, MO 64473

Dear Treasurer:

This is to inform you that as of this date, the Commission has not received your response to our letter dated December 11, 1992. Our letter notified you that a review of reports filed with the Commission indicates that your organization may have made expenditures which qualify it as a political committee. Enclosed is a copy of our original letter.

If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate legal action to ensure compliance with the Act.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Richard Montalbano on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 219-3500.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D. Gibson".

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director
Reports Analysis Division

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Any information copied from such reports or statements may not be sold or used by any person for the purpose of soliciting contributions or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

Name of Committee: Citizens for E. Thomas Coleman

Outback Steakhouse PAC

550 N Bee St., Suite 204
Tampa, FL 336091030

EMPLOYEE:

OCCUPATION:

Date	Amount
08/10/92	1,000.00

RECEIPT FOR: 92 General

AGGREGATE TTD: 1,000.00

S & A Restaurant Emp. PAC

12404 Park Central Drive
Dallas, TX 75251

EMPLOYEE:

OCCUPATION:

Date	Amount
08/10/92	1,000.00

RECEIPT FOR: 92 General

AGGREGATE TTD: 1,000.00

"Caterpillar Comm. for Gov't.

100 W Adams St.
Chicago, IL 606031439

EMPLOYEE:

OCCUPATION:

Date	Amount
08/31/92	500.00

RECEIPT FOR: 92 General

AGGREGATE TTD: 500.00

United Egg Assoc. PAC

3831 Peachfinger Hwy.
Decatur, GA 30033

EMPLOYEE:

OCCUPATION:

Date	Amount
08/31/92	500.00

RECEIPT FOR: 92 General

AGGREGATE TTD: 500.00

Chili's Inc. PAC

6620 LBJ Freeway
Dallas, TX 75260

EMPLOYEE:

OCCUPATION:

Date	Amount
09/14/92	1,000.00

RECEIPT FOR: 92 General

AGGREGATE TTD: 1,000.00

Parade Action Strategies PAC

Rt 2
Oregon, MO 64473

EMPLOYEE:

OCCUPATION:

Date	Amount
09/14/92	2,500.00
09/22/92	1,500.00

RECEIPT FOR: 92 General

AGGREGATE TTD: 3,000.00

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